

# WILSON'S MEDIATION IN ARMENIA ACCEPTED BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Offer Was Received With Great Satisfaction and Was Heralded as Key to Solution of Troublesome Matter, But Form of Mediation Was Not Known.

## BRAZIL AND SPAIN OFFER TO ACT ALSO

Austria Has Been Unanimously Voted a Member of the League By the Commission and Will Undoubtedly Be Accepted By the Entire League.

Geneva, Dec. 1 (By the Associated Press).—A letter to President Wilson, accepting his offer to act as mediator in Armenia, was drafted by the council of the league of nations today. His note was read to members of the council and was received with great satisfaction.

Austria was unanimously voted a member of the league by the commission for the admission of new states today. It is expected the assembly of the league will ratify this action. President Wilson's acceptance of the role of mediator in Armenia created a great impression here.

"Four old Europe will feel less abandoned," said a member of the French delegation.

The news gave the assembly great relief, as the Armenian question had become the bugbear. Many delegates regretted it had been brought up in a particular form that would have exposed the league to censure in case a mediator had not been found.

There is much speculation as to the form mediation on behalf of Armenia will take. A. J. Balfour, a leader of the British delegation, remarked to the assembly the other day that in order to negotiate it would be necessary to offer Mustafa Kemal, chief of the Turkish nationalists, either money or territory, and this remark is recalled in connection with President Wilson's known opposition to the disposition made of some parts of the territory of Turkey by the Sevres treaty.

Prediction is made here that in the end the Greeks may pay the price for saving what remains of the Armenian people.

"President Wilson's action is a big step toward a solution of one of the most serious problems before the assembly," said Lord Robert Cecil.

"That is wonderful news. It brings relief to all of us who are trying to find a way to help the Armenians out of their difficulty," Mr. Wilson's acceptance is commendable and worthy of the best traditions of the United States, which always has been a friend of Armenia and taken the lead in alleviating her sufferings.

"The decision of President Wilson is any and every political from my point of view and cannot give encouragement to all those who wish to see the United States in the league. It is simply a natural development of an old, humanitarian policy."

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, who is a member of the league commission for Armenia, was rather inclined to pessimism yesterday. When he heard the news today, however, he beamed with joy.

"We have found the man," he cried, "and the road will be easy."

It was announced this afternoon that Spain and Brazil had offered to join President Wilson in his role of Armenian mediator. This offer has been embodied in the reply to President Wilson framed by the council.

The council's reply to President Wilson expresses deep appreciation of his assistance, and has named high commissioners at Constantinople, it says, are being consulted as to the best way for him to proceed.

The council, it is added, believes there will be no great difficulty about the president's mediators, conferring with Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader, who has been making war upon the Armenians.

The council left it to President Wilson to decide whether he desired the cooperation of Spain and Brazil.

Lord Robert Cecil said today he was anxious that \$200,000,000 be obtained to equip an expedition to help the Armenians.

The council of the league today unanimously approved an invitation drawn up by the military commission calling on the United States to name a representative to sit on the commission. The invitation expressed the view that the general consideration of the subject of a reduction of armaments would be greatly facilitated if the United States government could see its way to send a representative to sit in a consultative capacity with the commission.

A note embodying the invitation was sent to Washington today.

To Play in Stamford, Conn.

## RUPPERT HOLDS \$300,000 MORTGAGE ON FENWAY PARK

Explanation Made By Thomas J. Barry, Counsel for Red Sox, States That Fenway Park and Sox Are Owned By Different Organizations.

Boston, Dec. 1.—The fact that a mortgage of \$300,000 on Fenway park, home grounds of the Boston Red Sox, is held by Jacob Rupprecht, Inc., of New York, with which President Jacob Rupprecht of the New York Yankees is identified, was the subject of a statement today by Thomas J. Barry, counsel for the Boston club.

"Fenway park is owned by the Fenway Realty Trust," Mr. Barry said. "It always has owned Fenway park and is a separate and distinct organization from the Boston American league baseball club. The latter is simply a tenant."

"There always has been a mortgage on Fenway park. On May 25, 1920, the old mortgage was discharged and a new mortgage was placed with Jacob Rupprecht, Inc., nothing to do with the individual, Jacob Rupprecht, Inc., is a corporation, which deals in real estate and has stockholders and officers entirely distinct from Jacob Rupprecht, the individual. This real estate corporation took a mortgage of \$300,000 as an investment on the same plan and principle as it would invest its money in any other kind of a mortgage."

"The Boston American league baseball club has nothing to do with this mortgage nor is the franchise included in the mortgage. There is no connection between the club and either Jacob Rupprecht or the Jacob Rupprecht corporation."

## PROPOSES SPORTS STADIUM FOR BOSTON COLLEGE BY PRESIDENT DEVLIN

Boston, Dec. 1.—A sports stadium for Boston college probably will be included in plans for enlarging the institution, Rev. William Devlin, S. J., president of the college, said today. Consideration of the erection of a stadium was prompted, he said, both by the desirability of an athletic home for the undergraduates and the fact that the unbeaten football eleven of Boston college will have an audience of upwards of 40,000 persons in its game with Holy Cross at Braves field next Saturday.

## TOO NOISY FOR HARVARD Most of Automobiles Must Be Kept Outside of the Yard

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 1.—Noisy automobile motors will no longer mar the seventeenth century serenity of Harvard yard. As the result of a protest made by members of the Harvard faculty against the use of the drives as speedways, it was announced today that all persons who come to the grounds in automobiles must leave their cars outside of the drives. Only one car, however, is permitted to enter the yard at a time, and only for a short period.

## RIFLE MATCH BY TELEGRAPH Planned By Yale With Oxford University on Feb. 9.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 1.—A telegraph match with Oxford university, England, on Feb. 9, has been arranged by the Yale Rifle club. It was announced today that the match will include Feb. 17, Dartmouth; April 17, Harvard.

The freshman schedule provides matches with Dartmouth, Feb. 19, and with Harvard, March 17.

## HARDING PARTY RAN INTO STORM Travel Was Made Unpleasant for Most of Those on Board, But Harding Was Good Sailor.

On board steamship Pastores, Dec. 1 (By wireless to the Associated Press).—More rough weather greeted Senator Harding and his vacation party today as the Pastores continued the homeward journey, featured yesterday by a brief stop at Jamaica.

Soon after the steamer left Port Antonio harbor last night she ran into a storm, which, although not of dangerous intensity, made travel unpleasant for most of those on board. Mrs. Harding again today was one of those who remained in their staterooms, although she said she was feeling much better, after the short stop ashore yesterday.

Senator Harding proved himself the better sailor, keeping on deck most of the day. The party was composed of the senator, his wife, and a number of his friends.

## SUNFLOWER SEEDS AS LURE Plan Proposed to Draw Rats in Ship to the Ferrets.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Use of sunflower seeds to rid the giant liner Leviathan of rats is being considered by shipping board officials. Several methods have been suggested to conquer the rodents, which have overrun the world's greatest merchant ship at her dock at New York where she has been idle for nearly a year, but none has proved successful.

Sunflower seed has the same effect on rats that catnip has on cats, officials said, and it is the intention to place the seeds in compartments where ferrets are imprisoned and thus lure the rodents to their deaths.

Captain of Harvard Schooner.

## ARGUMENTS CONCLUDED

In Contest Between Factions of the Christian Science Church

## NO DECISION BEFORE MARCH

Charles F. Choate, Jr., Made the Final Plea in Boston

Boston, Dec. 1.—The future policy of the Christian Science church lay with the full bench of the supreme court of Massachusetts today. Before an audience that included persons from England and other countries, the court heard the last of the arguments between factions within the church as to the construction of deeds of trust on which Mary Baker Eddy founded the organization and its publishing activities. Except for the filing of briefs, the case was closed. A decision is not expected before the March sitting of the court.

The last word in argument was by Charles F. Choate, Jr., of this city, who appeared as spokesman for Attorney General J. Weston Allen. The attorney general had turned over to him the completion of his contention that the deeds of trust executed by Mrs. Eddy had created a public charitable trust of which he is the protector under the state law. He also contended that the board of directors was the governing body of the church, and had power to remove members of the board of trustees which controls the Christian Science Publishing society.

The court gave counsel opposed to the stand of the attorney general until next Monday to file briefs.

## A PINCH OF SNUFF SUCCEEDS THE CUP

Governor Coolidge Started the Silver Mounted Ram's Horn About the Banquet Board of Scotch Charitable Society in Boston.

Boston, Dec. 1.—The cup that cheers was replaced by the snuff that exhilarates, when the Scotch Charitable society revived an old custom at its annual benefit last night to take the place of anti-prohibition toasts. Scotch snuff from a silver mounted ram's horn was passed about the tables.

First to take a cautious pinch was Governor Calvin Coolidge, vice-president-elect, who was the chief guest. From him the horn went down the banquet board. Sneezes followed and handkerchiefs were quite generally displayed.

Soon afterward Professor Charlton Brock of Boston university related an appropriate anecdote, directed to dependent victims of the 18th amendment. It was the warning of an old Scotchman to his son against too liberal use of snuff, with the statement that "I've been drunker on snuff than I ever was on whiskey." The guests sneezed again, and then the speakers had their say.

## KILLED BY GAS

Miss Sophia Batey Found Dead in Her Home.

Burlington, Dec. 1.—Miss Sophia Batey was found dead at her home on Drew street late yesterday afternoon, apparently having been overcome by gas, which was escaping from a gas plate on which she was boiling clothes. She was found by Charles L. Gilbert, who employed the woman as a housekeeper. Miss Batey was lying on the floor beside a couch, both burners of the gas plate being partly turned on.

The theory is that the woman placed clothes in a pan on the plate to boil, and then lay down on the couch and went to sleep, during which time the clothes boiled over and put out the flames of the gas. Miss Batey is survived by her father, Edward F. Batey, of Rutland.

## BAKER IS SILENT ON WOOD 'CAMPAIGN'

Declares It Would Be Improper for Him to Discuss Proposal to Have Major General Leonard Wood Head Expedition Against the Turks.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Secretary Baker refused today to discuss Geneva dispatches, stating that Major General Leonard Wood had been mentioned as a possible selection by the league of nations Armenian committee to lead the proposed campaign of the Armenians against Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader.

"It would be plainly improper for me to make any comment until I have received official confirmation of the press dispatches," the secretary said.

Captain of Harvard Schooner.

## CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD

Charges Brought Against Former Officers of Crucible Steel Co

## U. S. GRAND JURY INDICTED THEM

Dupuy and Turville Alleged to Have Defrauded Government of Millions

Pittsburgh, Dec. 1.—A federal grand jury here today returned indictments against Herbert Dupuy, former president and chairman of the board of directors of the Crucible Steel company of America, and George A. Turville, former vice-president and secretary-treasurer, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the United States of income and excess profits taxes, said to amount to several million dollars.

Underlying companies of the Crucible Steel Co. America mentioned in the indictment are the Halcumb Steel company, Crucible Steel company, Crucible Coal company, Crucible Fuel company and the Midland Improvement company.

## HALF MILLION FIRE LOSS IN JASPER, ALA.

Twenty Business Houses and Ten Residences Were Wiped Out—Blaze Gained Headway in Shift Wind.

Jasper, Ala., Dec. 1.—Fire originated early today in the building of the Crawford Mercantile company, destroyed 20 business houses and 10 residences. The loss was estimated at more than \$500,000.

The principal business block of the town and portions of three other blocks were wiped out. The blaze gained headway in a stiff wind. Included in the burned area was the property of the Southern Bell Telephone company and the Western Bell Telephone company, the First National bank and the Southern hotel.

## WANT DAIRY INSTRUCTION. Seek to Have School Established at State Agricultural College.

Burlington, Dec. 1.—The special committee, appointed by the Vermont Federation of Cooperative Creameries, which was founded in this city last spring, met yesterday at the College of Agriculture.

The committee was organized to meet with President Bailey, Dean Hills and Professor Ellenberger and discuss the possibility of the State College of Agriculture establishing courses which would afford practical training for work in the commercial milk plants of the state.

At the present time these plants handle over \$50,000,000 worth of milk every year, which approximates in round numbers over 1,000,000,000 pounds. It is very difficult to secure men trained to this work. It was proposed that the state college should establish a plant for this purpose. At the present time, it was pointed out that the state at the present time does not appropriate any money for the dairy department of the college. In order to get such a plant going, and especially on a large enough scale to give practical training, it would be necessary that the state give liberal financial support.

The committee will look further into the matter and find out if possible what kind of a plant is needed and also how much such a plant would cost. Other methods of caring for the problem will also be studied, with a view to proposing to the legislature.

The committee is composed of Messrs. H. H. Edwards of Richmond, chairman, George Phelps of Milton, A. G. Terrill of Morrisville, Dr. E. H. Bancroft of Barre and W. K. Warner of St. Albans.

## DISORDERLY SCENES IN PRUSSIA ASSEMBLY

When Motion to Confiscate Hohenzollern Property Was Debated.

Berlin, Nov. 30.—Disorderly scenes occurred in the Prussian assembly today during debate on a motion presented by the majority coalition to transfer property owned by the Hohenzollern family to the Prussian state and assign a suitable income to members of the former reigning house. The vice-president was compelled to suspend the sitting.

Her Mehlmann, a socialist, who introduced the motion, argued that the Hohenzollerns were a danger to the German republic in affording members of the Hohenzollern family the means to pursue their pretensions to the German throne. Disorder began when Herr Kaufmann, a conservative, attacked Herr Mehlmann. The socialists shouted and one threw a paper missile at Herr Kaufmann.

## CORDON ABOUT FIUME. And Other Efforts Being Made to Subdue D'Annunzio.

London, Dec. 1.—Premier Giolitti of Italy, speaking in the chamber of deputies in Rome yesterday, refused to answer a question asking whether the government intended to take military measures against Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio in Fiume, says a dispatch to the London Times.

General Cavaglia's regulars have thrown a cordon around Fiume, and the government is looking for more followers of D'Annunzio to desert.

## SCHOONER PACKET WAS FINED \$5,330

For Many Violations, Included in Which Was Carrying of Mother Goat and Two Kids in Passenger Living Quarters.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 1.—The Cape Verde schooner packet William H. Draper has been fined \$5,330 for nine violations of the federal law, by customs officials here. The packet has been tied up at dock here since last summer, when the violations occurred. An appeal to the secretary of the harbor has been taken by the owner, Ernest Mont-trend.

Among the violations are—keeping mother goat and two kids in passenger's living quarters, \$1,000; carrying 28 more passengers than the 105 allowed by law, \$1,400; having berths not two feet, five inches apart, \$500; serving of incident food, \$500; no arrival instruments aboard, \$250; no United States immigration regulation laws aboard, \$250; no ventilation save by hatchway and no proper lights, \$250; no regulation No. 7 of United States immigration laws aboard, \$100. In excuse for the goats the owner says that it was cold coming up the harbor so the kids, on suggestion of a passenger, were taken below.

## HEININGER—CALEF

Marriage Took Place at St. Paul's Church in Burlington.

The wedding of Dr. Edwin F. Heininger of Barre to Miss Leona May Calef of Washington occurred Monday at 8 o'clock in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Burlington with Rev. Halstead S. Watkins officiating at the double ring ceremony. Attending the couple were Dr. Heininger's brother and sister-in-law, Alfred Heininger and Mrs. M. O. Calef of Washington, attending Goddard seminary and later graduated from Albany business college. Before going on a few months' visit with relatives in the west Mrs. Heininger was employed with the National Life Insurance company in Montpelier for several months.

Dr. Heininger, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Heininger of Burlington, graduated from Burlington high school in 1914, and from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery in 1918. Since then he has been established in the office previously occupied by Dr. A. C. Foster in the Howland building and during the short period has gained a lucrative practice both in Barre and Plainfield, where in the summer months he enters to the people of that vicinity by holding office hours certain days of the week. Dr. Heininger is a member of the Xi Psi Phi fraternity and also of the Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity of Baltimore, Md.

Dr. and Mrs. Heininger came to Barre yesterday, Dr. Heininger coming to fulfill appointments made for the day, but this evening the couple left for a honeymoon to New York City, planning to return to Barre in two weeks.

## RAYMOND-PAYNE

Plainfield Girl and Former Goddard Student Is the Bride.

Guy Wilfred Raymond of East Montpelier and Florence Mae Payne of Plainfield were married Saturday evening, Nov. 27, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Martyn.

They were unattended and Rev. Arthur W. Hewitt officiated, the ring service being used. The bride wore a beautiful gown of robin's-egg-blue messaline, trimmed with pearls.

The decorations of the room were in red, white and blue. The bride wore a red, white and blue gown. The wedding presents included gifts of silver, linen and useful house-keeping articles.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond left town on Monday to be away for two weeks on their wedding trip.

Mr. Raymond is a farmer, well known as the master of the East Montpelier grange, and the first man from his town to enlist in any form of war service. He was in the naval service for nearly three years, being overseas for one year with the battleship U. S. S. Delaware. Mrs. Raymond was educated in the Plainfield Union high school and at Goddard seminary, and both the young people have a wide circle of friends to wish them happiness.

## GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Guild Celebrate—Former Expert Machinist.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper J. Guild celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in St. Johnsbury Nov. 24. The couple were married 50 years ago. Mr. Guild, who was born in Fairlee, has lived in West Fairlee, East Corinth and South Ryegate before going to Lyndonville to be employed in the railroad shops. While engaged here he maintained a miniature railroad engine in 1899, a perfect replica of the engine being used at that time. Rail-road men declared then it was the finest specimen they had ever seen and was perfect in every detail. This engine now rests on a stand in the parlor of the Guild home, where it has been inspected by hundreds of friends. Mr. Guild holds the reputation of being an expert machinist and has created many useful articles for his home.

He was an excellent violinist and was considered an expert repairer of those musical instruments. He also was a jewelry repairer and had many friends who brought him jewelry to be repaired. He is now 80 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Guild are prominent members of the South church. Mr. Guild has been a member of the church for 50 years. Mrs. Guild is a member of the Eastern Star.

## SEEK TO COLLECT BY RECEIVER

Petition Filed Against Cotton Manufacturers of No. Chelmsford

## BILL OF \$60,896 BASIS OF ACTION

Judge Anderson Sets Dec. 6 As Date for Hearing

Boston, Dec. 1.—A petition for the appointment of a receiver for the Lowell textile company, cotton manufacturers of North Chelmsford, was filed in the federal court today by Clarence N. Frohlich and William V. Barbour of Memphis, Tenn., who represent themselves as creditors to the extent of \$60,896 for cotton sold to the company. The bill of complaint says that the company has plenty of assets to pay the claim without loss to any of its creditors but that if sale of its goods is forced in order to meet its debts, the property will be "completely disintegrated."

Judge Anderson set next Monday, Dec. 6, as the date for a hearing on the petition.

## MRS. MARCIA WEBSTER

Died Yesterday in Washington, Where She Had Lived All Her Life.

At her home in Washington yesterday morning Mrs. Marcia Webster passed away of a general breaking down, following a year of ill health, at the age of 59 years.

Mrs. Webster was born in Washington and had lived in the town all her life, residing on the old home place for 29 years. Forty-three years ago she married Josiah Bohannon, who died 13 years later, and 26 years ago she married James Webster.

Besides her husband she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Ed. Wright of Washington, Mrs. Albert Newman of Barre and Mrs. George Woodley of South Pomfret, also three sons, Leon C. Bohannon of Washington, Clarence Bohannon of Waterbury and Ernest Webster of Washington, and a half-brother, Frank Braham of Washington.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the home, Rev. C. A. Simmons, pastor of the Washington Universalist church, officiating. Burial will be in the Cheney cemetery in Washington.

## WILLIAMSTOWN COMPANY. Has Been Organized to Conduct Last Block Manufacturing.

The Williamstown company, organized under the laws of Massachusetts, has filed articles of registration in the office of the Vermont secretary of state for the purpose of conducting a last block manufacturing business in Williamstown. The capital stock is \$50,000, and the paid up capital is \$17,400. The assets of the company are \$43,204.14. The papers are signed by E. R. Taylor of Lynn, Mass., T. F. McNichol of Swampscott, Mass., A. B. Taylor of Worcester, Mass., and B. C. Hoyt of Williamstown.

## SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY.

Operator's License of Thomas B. Tetlow of Newbury.

Harry A. Black, secretary of state, has suspended indefinitely the automobile operator's license of Thomas B. Tetlow of Newbury for causing an accident and refusing to stop thereafter. He has revoked the license of Harry Finnegan of St. Johnsbury for having been convicted of operating an unregistered car and he has suspended indefinitely the license of Russell E. Moore of East Barre for reckless driving.

## LAIRD MAY BE RECEIVER

For the Barre and Montpelier Traction and Power company.

The hearing, which was to have taken place Tuesday afternoon, before Judge Stanley C. Wilson, relative to the receivership in the Barre and Montpelier Traction and Power company affairs, did not occur, having been continued until Thursday morning so that some other creditors may file their claims. It is understood now that parties, who are interested thus far, are satisfactorily agreed upon F. L. Laird of Montpelier for receiver.

Commander of V. N. G.

## CITY TO BORROW \$37,000 ON NOTES

Resolution Calling for It Was Adopted at Meeting of City Council Last Night.

A resolution providing for the issuing of \$37,000 of city notes in anticipation of refunding bonds was adopted at the regular meeting of the city council last night, the resolution having been introduced at the last previous meeting and ordered to a second reading. The mayor, the city treasurer and the finance committee were instructed to make the negotiations.

The meeting had little but routine business to transact, included in which was the granting of a permit to J. O. Billorean and company to build a 20 by 20 foot addition to their stoned and a 10 by 30 foot addition to their polishing mill. Emble and company got a permit to build a 14 by 16 foot addition to their greenhouse office at the extreme northern end of the city; and G. Tomasi was given a permit to build a 16-foot extension to a piazza at 5 Cottage street.

Manager Carter of the Barre opera house asked for new rope to hold doors on the theatre stage and the property committee was instructed to furnish the rope. Manager Carter also applied for permission to run a vent pipe from the cinema south to the top of the opera house roof, and his application was referred to the property committee with power to act.

State Fire Marshal J. G. Brown's warning against the use of glass gauge gasoline pumps as dangerous and especially so when the gasometer is not properly maintained, was referred to the fire committee to investigate conditions and report. Academy street was added to the list of streets on which children may slide.

Bills ordered paid were as follows: Street payroll, \$568.09; engineering pay, \$28.00; water pay, \$125.48; fire pay, \$106.53; police pay, \$29.85; paid out on street superintendent's orders, \$54.40; water rebates, \$68.33; C. L. Booth, \$20; Miss Gridley, \$26; William Wishart, city attorney, \$45.67.

## SMART PERFORMANCE—“ALWAYS IN TROUBLE”

Local People Made Good in Presentation Under Auspices of Barre Post, American Legion, Last Night.

Barre post, No. 10, American Legion, went over the top at the opera house last night and gave them—meaning all who were present in the audience—one of the best entertainments ever given by a local talent outfit. Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Gage, in command of the attacking forces, certainly had trained their company well, and as a result there was not a lapse in the charge until the entire outfit, minus casualties, had firmly established itself in the hearts of the audience.

And, by the way, the war was just no mean opposition; it was well entrenched in the orchestra and held advantage points nearly half of the balcony.

The whole force of the "buck" privates in the chorus to the "C. O's" in the east played their parts well. To pick out any one of the "C. O's" as any of the others is indeed a difficult task. But since no attack deserves the name of a victory without its heroes and heroines, so must a resume in this case cite a few for further attention.

The plot of the play lay in the winning of the fair maid, Rose Brown, (played by Loraine Lorange), including a million dollar fortune, by Ralph Bingham, played by George Stewart, Jr. The many complexities involved in bringing about the final happy ending, called forth a continual round of laughter, admiration, and applause from the audience. The play was just as entertaining as the R. R. station at Amity Center, Maine; and the time, July, 1920.

After a very successful opening, "Why We're Here," with a chorus of girls featuring Clyde and Clara Lawrence in a song and dancing act, Zerkow Sam Dovers, set the ball rolling with "All Aboard." In turn were introduced the remainder of the cast, "Moonshine" Straiton, "Ragtime" Marguerite Roberts, "Not So Loud" Fisher, "Alvin" Ena Adie, "Million Dollar" Stewart, "Bing-Bang" Mrs. F. H. Rogers, "Old Amos" Maiden, partial to the railroad, and to a group, "Sweet Daisy" Morgan, and lastly, "Roscoe" Loraine Lorange. The remainder of the company came in very fittingly at various intervals.

Ephrum Jackson, a colored gentleman with a wife and an orphan family of 21 in number, was the star attraction. He was a fountain from which flowed a ceaseless stream of wit, humor and dandy pathos. His "When the Moon Shines on the Moonshine" was particularly appealing and well appreciated. Old Amos Armstrong, a 63-year-old millionaire, and president of the railroad, was a very comical character played by Lee Maiden, was not a son-of-a-gun, but he quite made up for this deficiency in a particularly "peevish" temperance which gained him a place in the hearts and minds of his hearers. J. Alexander King's nervous and stealthy part was particularly well portrayed by Commander Max Fisher. When he appeared as "Little Daisy," the audience obviously demonstrated that it felt Peter Morgan should apply for a permanent position as flower girl in future Barre weddings.

Sam Dovers never gave any fear of comedy, but he was a Birgville station agent as in demand.

Loraine Lorange, as Rose Brown, the fair maid, acted the part well, and in her songs individual, and in those with George Stewart, who was fine in his part, she was very well received. Helen Brown, by Mrs. F. H. Rogers, certainly was on King's trail with a bang and persistence. Miss Ena Adie, as Alvin Ketchum, had a way all her own with the men, her only difficulty lying in the fact that she was not very often allowed to have her own way. Although Marguerite Roberts appeared only in the first act as Lizzie, the ragtime girl, her little witty and cynical rhymes put her listeners in a more cheerful frame of mind.

Mention must be made of the cordial reception given the humorous "Old Black Crow," so capably sung by the company.

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## FINES PILE UP FOR SMUGGLING

U. S. Court at Montpelier Imposed As High As \$500 Fine

## BUT REFUSED TO PLEAD OF GUILTY

Because It Was Considered That Investigation Needed

Payment of fines and costs for violation of the Volstead act continued in United States court at Montpelier today with rapid succession, broken now and then with different disposal of the cases. For instance, Adelaide Billedeau of Canaan pleaded guilty to smuggling in liquor, but the court refused to accept the plea, holding that the respondent should have a right to prove his claim that he did not know what he was loading on a train when he helped to put some liquor on board and that he did not know the contents of the package was although he sat down in the same seat where the liquor was placed on the car, while the other fellow went into another car.

Judge H. B. Howe thought that such